PLANT FACT SHEET

Cymbidium ensifolium (L.) Sw.

GENUS *Cymbidium* **FAMILY** Orchidaceae

COMMON NAMES Sword cymbidium orchid

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers

DESCRIPTION

An orchid. It grows in the soil. The bulbs are oval and 2-3 cm long by 1-2 cm wide. They are enclosed in leaf bases. There are 2-4 leaves. They are 30-60 cm long by 1-2 cm wide. There can be teeth along the edge near the tip. The flowering shoot arises from the base of the false bulb. The flowers have a scent. They vary in colour but can be pale green with purple spots.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in open forests and grassy places along valleys between 600-1,800 m above sea level in China. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or by division of the clump.

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